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## ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS

Washington, DC 20231

SIR: This is a request for filing a ☐ continuation ☒ divisional application under 37 CFR Section 1.53(b) of pending prior application Serial No. 08/774,344 filed on December 30, 1996 of King for METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR HANDLING TELECOMMUNICATIONS DATA TRAFFIC.

1. ☒ Enclosed is a complete copy of the prior application, including the oath or declaration as originally filed.

2. ☒ The filing fee is calculated below:

CLAIMS AS FILED HEREIN AFTER ANY ACCOMPANYING  
PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

For:	No. filed	No. extra		
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Basic Fee:				
Total Claims	8 - 20 =	0		
Independent Claims	2 - 3 =	0		
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Rate	Fee		Rate	Fee
	\$380.00		OR	\$690.00
x \$9.00 =	\$		OR	x \$18.00 = \$ 0.00
x \$39.00 =	\$		OR	x \$78.00 = \$ 0.00
+ \$130.00 =	\$		OR	+ \$260.00 = \$ 0.00
Total	\$		OR	Total \$690.00

3. ☒ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment to Account No. 19-2179. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

4. ☒ Cancel in the application original claims 1-31 of the prior application before calculating the filing fee. (At least one original independent claim must be retained for filing purposes.)

5. ☒ Amend the specification by inserting before the first line the sentence:

--This is a ☐ continuation, ☒ divisional, of application serial no. 08/774,344 filed December 30, 1996--.

6. ☒ The prior application is assigned of record to Siemens Information and Communication Networks, Inc.

7. ☐ The power of attorney in the prior application is to

a. ☒ The power appears in the original papers in the prior application.

The PTO has been advised that the applicant listed in the complete copy of the prior application

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b. [ ] Since the power does not appear in the original papers, a copy of the power in the prior application is enclosed.

c. [X] Address all future communications to:

Siemens Corporation  
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Address all telephone calls to: Elsa Keller, Legal Administrator (732) 321-3026.

8. [X] A Preliminary Amendment is enclosed. (Claims added by this amendment have been properly numbered consecutively beginning with the number next following the highest numbered original claim in the prior application.)

9. [X] I hereby declare that the attached papers are a true copy of the prior application serial no. 08/774,344 as originally filed on December 30, 1996.

10. [X] I hereby appoint each and every one of the below-named individuals as my associate, each to have full power to prosecute the referenced case and any continuations thereof and to take any action regarding the above-referenced case which I could take, with the same force and effect as if it had been taken by me:

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a. [X] Any additional filing fees required under 37 CFR Section 1.16.

b. [X] Any patent application processing fees under 37 CFR Section 1.17.

12. [X] The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of the following fees during the pendency of this application or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 19-2179. A duplicate copy of this paper is enclosed.

a. [X] Any patent application processing fees under 37 CFR Section 1.17.

b. [X] Any filing fees under 37 CFR Section 1.16 for presentation of extra claims.

13. [X] Please make of record and consider in the present Application the prior art of record in the prior application.

Respectfully submitted,

Date: February 2, 2000

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